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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Proposed Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

Title: Evaluation of the Child Welfare Capacity Building Collaborative.

OMB No.: New Collection.

Description: The Evaluation of the Child Welfare Capacity Building Collaborative is sponsored by the Children's Bureau, Administration for Children and Families of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The Capacity Building Collaborative includes three centers (Center for States, Center for Tribes, Center for Courts) funded by the Children's Bureau to provide national child welfare expertise and evidence-informed training and technical assistance services to State, Tribal and Territorial public child welfare agencies and Court Improvement Programs (CIPs). The Centers offer a wide array of services including, but not limited to: Web-based content and resources, product development and dissemination, self-directed and group-based training, virtual learning and peer networking events, and tailored consultation and coaching. During the project period the Centers' services will be evaluated by both Center-specific evaluations and a Cross-Center Evaluation. The Center-specific evaluations are designed to collect data on Center-specific processes and outcomes. The Cross-Center Evaluation is designed to respond to a set of cross-cutting evaluation questions posed by the Children's Bureau. The Cross-Center Evaluation will examine: the extent to which key partners across and within the

Centers are collaborating; whether the capacity building service interventions offered by the Centers are evaluable; the degree to which Centers follow common protocols; whether service interventions are delivered or performed as designed; how satisfied recipients are with the services received; how effective the service interventions were; which service approaches were most effective and under what conditions; and the costs of services.

The Cross-Center Evaluation is utilizing a longitudinal mixed methods approach to evaluate the Centers' services as they develop and mature over the course of the study period. Multiple data collection strategies will be used to efficiently capture quantitative and qualitative data to enable analyses that address each evaluation question. Proposed Cross-Center Evaluation data sources for this effort include (1) satisfaction surveys to assess recipients' satisfaction with services, such as the Learning Experiences Satisfaction Survey; (2) a leadership interview, administered to all State child welfare directors, Tribal child welfare directors, and CIP coordinators that are receiving services from the Centers; and (3) a collaboration survey, an annual web-based survey administered to the directors and staff of the three Centers. Center-specific data sources for this effort include (1) assessment tools such as the Tribal Organizational Assessment Caseworker Interview; and (2) service-specific feedback forms, such as the Center for States Intensive Projects instrument and the Center for Courts CQI Workshops instrument.

Respondents: Respondents of data collection instruments will include (1) child welfare and judicial professionals that use the Centers' webpages, products, and online courses, that participate in virtual or in-person trainings or peer events, and that receive brief or intensive tailored services from the Centers; (2) State child welfare directors, Tribal child welfare directors, and CIP coordinators that are receiving services from the Centers; and (3) the directors

and staff of the three Capacity Building Centers. The proposed data collection will span four years.

ANNUAL BURDEN ESTIMATES

Instrument	Annual Number of Respondents	Number of Responses Per Respondent	Average Burden Hours Per	Total Annual Burden
		respondent	Response	Hours
Webpage & Product	1,560	1	.08	125
Satisfaction Survey	1,000	_	.00	120
Learning Experiences	500	1	.33	165
Satisfaction Survey		_		
Learning Experience Module	900	1	.08	72
Survey	, , ,	_		
Peer Event Satisfaction	5,502	1	.08	441
Survey	,			
Assessment & Capacity	450	1	.066	30
Building Plan Satisfaction				
Survey				
Center for Tribes Contact	50	1	.05	3
Form				
Center for Tribes	20	1	1.75	35
Demographic Survey				
Tribal Organizational	20	1	1.25	25
Assessment Caseworker				
Interview				
Tribal Organizational	16	1	1.25	20
Assessment Community				
Provider Interview				
Tribal Organizational	12	1	1.0	12
Assessment Community				
Member/Elder Interview				
Tribal Organizational	14	1	1.0	14
Assessment Family Interview				
Center for States Information	12	1	.05	1
and Referral	250			212
Center for States Intensive	330	2	.33	218
Projects	400			2.1
Center for States Constituency	400	2	.33	264
Groups	45-			
Center for States Consultant	156	1	.13	21
Feedback Form				

Center for States Brief	125	1	.33	42
Services				
CIP Annual Meeting Survey	200	1	.13	26
Center for Courts CQI	48	1	.17	8
Workshops				
Leadership Interview – States	13	2	1	26
Leadership Interview – CIPs	13	2	1	26
Leadership Interview - Tribes	8	2	1.25	20
Leadership Interview Part II –	8	2	.67	11
Tribes				
Annual Collaboration Survey	230	1	.36	83

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,688

In compliance with the requirements of Section 506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Administration for Children and Families is soliciting public comment on the specific aspects of the information collection described above. Copies of the proposed collection of information can be obtained and comments may be forwarded by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. E-mail address: infocollection@acf.hhs.gov. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection.

The Department specifically requests comments on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Consideration will be given to comments and suggestions submitted within 60 days of this publication.

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